PATENT APPLICATION

N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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AMENDMENT B

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of March 4, 2005, the period for response extended from June 4, 2005, to July 5, 2005 (July 4th being a legal Holiday), by a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time filed herewith, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.